## LINCOLN-LANCASTER COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

# Board of Health April 8, 2014

#### ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Health was called to order at 5:03 PM by Heidi Stark at the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department. Members Present: Alan Doster, Doug Emery, Karla Lester, Jacquelyn Miller, Mike Tavlin, Brittany Behrens (ex-officio), Tim Sieh (ex-officio) and Heidi Stark. Rick Hoppe (ex-officio) arrived at 5:05 PM. Michelle Petersen arrived at 5:22 PM.

Members Absent: Roma Amundson and Craig Strong.

Staff Present: Judy Halstead, Charlotte Burke, Steve Beal, Steve Frederick, Scott Holmes, Renae Rief, Randy Fischer, Andrea Haberman, Kathy Cook, Dan King, Nancy Clark and Elaine Severe.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Dr. Stark asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Agenda.

<u>Motion</u>: Moved by Mr. Tavlin that the Agenda be approved as printed. Second by Dr. Lester. Motion carried by acclamation.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Stark asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Minutes.

<u>Motion</u>: Moved by Dr. Lester that the March 11, 2014 Minutes be approved as printed. Second by Dr. Miller. Motion carried by acclamation.

#### **PUBLIC SESSION**

## DEPARTMENT REPORTS

#### 1. Health Director Update

Ms. Halstead stated Public Health Week is April 7-13, 2014. The theme is "Public Health Starts Here". The Department received a "Community Partner Award" at the Annual Clinic With A Heart Dinner and Awards Ceremony on April 4, 2014. The award was presented to the Department for the staff's collaboration and partnership with Clinic With A Heart.

Ms. Halstead stated the Department is working with Pepsi Cola Bottling Company (Lin-Pepco) regarding healthier snacks and beverages in vending machines. The "Choose A Healthy You" Campaign will be launched in May, 2014.

The Department's 2014-2016 budget request was reviewed by the Finance Department on April 1, 2014. The budget request will be reviewed with the Mayor's Office on April 14,

2014.

The Board of Health luncheon and Awards Ceremony is scheduled for Thursday, April 24, 2014 at 11:30 AM at Bryan Health East Conference Center. Please RSVP attendance to Ms. Severe.

The Nebraska MEDS Project will hold a Drug Enforcement Administration's Drug Take Back Day on April 26, 2014.

Ms. Halstead stated the July Board of Health meeting is scheduled for July 8, 2014. She suggested cancelling the July meeting. For the past four years, two of the meetings were cancelled and attendance was low at the other two meetings. By general consensus, Board members agreed to cancel the July 8, 2014 meeting. By deciding now, instead of waiting until June and realizing there will not be a quorum, staff can better schedule for June and August meetings of the Board.

## **CURRENT BUSINESS** (Action items)

## 1. Election of Officers

Ms. Halstead stated the Slate of Nominations for Board of Health Officers for 2014-2015 is Heidi Stark, DDS – President and Jacquelyn Miller, DDS – Vice-President. She asked if there were any nominations from the floor.

Motion: Moved by Dr. Doster that the Board of Health elect Heidi Stark, DDS as President and Jacquelyn Miller, DDS as Vice-President of the Board of Health for 2014-2015. Second by Mr. Tavlin. Motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

#### 2. Collaboration with Community Health Endowment on Increasing Physical Activity

Ms. Halstead stated the Community Health Endowment plans to launch a physical activity campaign initiative and Health Department staff will assist with the initiative. The initiative will encourage individuals to increase their physical activity and move more. She stated the Endowment plans to kick-off the initiative at their Annual Meeting in June and it will end with the Streets Alive event in September. She asked Board members if anyone would serve as a representative for the Department to assist Health Department staff and Community Health Endowment staff with the Initiative. Dr. Lester stated she would serve as the Board of Health liaison.

<u>Motion</u>: Moved by Dr. Stark to appoint Dr. Lester to serve as the Board of Health representative to assist Health Department staff and the Community Health Endowment with the Physical Activity Campaign. Second by Dr. Miller. Motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

#### **CURRENT BUSINESS (Information Items)**

## 1. Review of March 19, 2014 Preparedness Exercise

Mr. Frederick introduced Mr. Fischer, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator. Mr. Fischer provided an overview of the Winter Weather-Mass Casualty Incident Exercise that was held on March 19, 2014. Initial planning began in the fall of 2013 and a tabletop exercise was conducted at the Health Department in January, 2014. Major strengths and weaknesses were identified. Major strengths included the interagency cooperation and coordination, community partnerships and communication between the hospitals and partners. The full scale exercise was held on March 19, 2014 and it was successful. Primary areas for improvement included additional Incident Command System training to all staff, radio communication needs to be tested more frequently, patient tracking, and updating the Local Emergency Operations Plan with agencies input. Ms. Halstead stated staff benefit from these training exercises as well as the hospitals and other agencies in the community.

# 2. Legislative Update

Ms. Halstead provided an update on legislation the Department is following. Bills of interest include: 1) LB863 – banning the sale of electronic cigarettes to minors - passed; 2) LB887 - Adopting the Wellness in Nebraska Act. - failed; 3) LB276 – Early Development Network Services/MIPS on final reading. The Legislative Session is scheduled to conclude on April 17, 2014.

## 3. Household Hazardous Waste Collections

Mr. King provided a presentation on the Household Hazardous Waste Program. The program has been in operation for more than 20 years. He reviewed highlights of the program, the toxics reduction program, the Safe Homes for Seniors Program, He noted one of Mayor Beutler's Taking Charge

indicators is to divert 100,000 lbs. of waste from the Landfill. The Solid Waste Management Plan 2040 recommendations include expanding the Household Hazardous Waste Program and to provide year around access for disposal. The Nebraska Department of Environmental Trust will provide \$159,000 to expand the program.

# 4. E-Cigarette Prohibition Implementation Update

Ms. Halstead provided an update on the information on the ban of E-Cigarettes in all buildings, facilities, tobacco-free areas of parks and vehicles owned by the City of Lincoln, Lancaster County and the Public Building Commission. The Lancaster County Commissioners approved the resolution on March 25, 2014. The Public Building Commission approved the resolution on April 8, 2014. The Parks & Recreation Advisory Board will vote on the resolution on April 10 and the Library Board will vote on the resolution on April 15, 2014.

#### **FUTURE BUSINESS**

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# Annual Luncheon & Awards Ceremony – April 24, 2014 – 11:30 AM

# ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:11PM.

Elaine Severe

**Recording Secretary** 

Jacquelyn Miller, DDS

Vice-President

Board of Health Minutes – April 8, 2014